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TO AMEMBASSY DOHA IMMEDIATE
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SUBJECT: REPORT THAT SAUDI AND KUWAITI STUDENTS CONTIN-
UE TO RECEIVE A-2 VISAS

REFERENCE: DOHA 0665

1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDING OF A-2 VISA SITUATION (PARA 2 OF
REFTEL) IS CORRECT. A-2 VISAS FOR SAUDI AND KUWAITI STU-
DENTS WERE TERMINATED LAST YEAR. GOQ MISUNDERSTANDING MAY
BE CAUSED BY FACT THAT A2'S CAN BE ISSUED IN FOLLOWING
CASES: (A) UNIFORMED MILITARY STUDENTS HERE FOR MILITARY
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TRAINING, (B) UNIFORMED SECURITY PERSONNEL OF MINISTRY OF
INTERIOR (BUT NOT REPEAT NOT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES), (C) BONA
FIDE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES WHO ARE IN U.S. FOR NOT MORE THAN
ONE YEAR FOR STUDY OR TRAINING RELATED TO THEIR JOBS.
QATARI STUDENTS MAY HAVE ENCOUNTERED KUWAITI OR SAUDI
STUDENTS IN THESE CATEGORIES AND MISUNDERSTOOD TERMS OF
THEIR VISAS.

2. DEPARTMENT SOMEWHAT PUZZLED BY GOQ CONCERN ON THIS MATTER AS RELATED TO EMBASSY. IN PAST TWO MONTHS NEA/ARP AND SCA/VO HAVE ARRANGED WITH INS TO IDENTIFY QATARI STUDENTS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN "WORK/STUDY" PROGRAMS DURING SUMMER MONTHS WITH U.S. OIL COMPANIES. QATARI

EMBASSY WAS CONCERNED THAT INS MIGHT MISINTERPRET THIS PROGRAM AS VIOLATION OF QATARIS' STUDENT VISAS. AFTER ASSURANCE BY QATARI EMBASSY THAT STUDENTS WERE, IN EFFECT, OBSERVERS ONLY, NOT PAID EMPLOYEES, AND AFTER RECEIVING LIST OF STUDENTS AND ADDRESSES OF U.S. FIRMS INVOLVED, SCA SENT LETTER INFORMING INS WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY SENT LETTERS TO INS FIELD OFFICES INFORMING THEM OF QATARI PROGRAM. POINT OF THIS INFORMATION IS THAT IN SEVERAL WEEKS OF MEETINGS AND PHONE CALLS, QUESTION OF A-2 VISAS WAS NEVER RAISED WITH DEPARTMENT. SINCE ONLY 18 QATARI STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THIS SUMMER PROGRAM, IT POSSIBLE THAT OTHER STUDENTS HAVE REGISTERED COMPLAINTS WITH THEIR FOREIGN MINISTRY.
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